

PUBLIC NOTICE
The Maryland Department of Natural Resources
Fishing and Boating Services
Opening of Wicomico River — Bramleigh Creek Harvest Reserve Area — Effective 3/18/19

The Secretary of the Department of Natural Resources, pursuant to the Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) 08.02.04.14, announces that Wicomico River — Bramleigh Creek Harvest Reserve Area will be open to oyster harvest effective sunrise on March 18, 2019. The area will be closed to oyster harvest effective 3:00 p.m. March 29, 2019. The area is described below and will be marked by buoys. The area was planted in 2016 and recent survey work shows the presence of market-sized oysters. Harvest Reserve Areas are described in COMAR 08.02.04.13.

Special Conditions for This Area:

- Commercial Harvest: No more than 8 bushels of oysters per licensee per day and 16 bushels of oysters per boat per day may be taken from this area or in possession while actively engaged in oyster harvest in this area.
- During the oyster season, described in the Code of Maryland Regulations 08.02.04, this area is only open Monday through Friday. It is closed Saturday and Sunday.

All other rules remain in effect.

For any questions or comments contact Frank Marengi, Shellfish Division at 410-260-8302.

Bramleigh Creek Oyster Harvest Reserve (Hand Tong Only)

The reserve consists of all of the area of the Wicomico River enclosed by a line beginning at a point at or near Lat. 38°17.439' N, Long. 76°49.693' W; then running 326° True to a point, at or near Lat. 38°17.937' N, Long. 76°50.116' W; then running 346° True to a point, at or near Lat. 38°18.395' N, Long. 76°50.256' W; then running 66° True to a point, at or near Lat. 38°18.499' N, Long. 76°49.960' W; then running 129° True to a point, at or near Lat. 38°18.277' N, Long. 76°49.611' W; then running 166° True to a point, at or near Lat. 38°17.831' N, Long. 76°49.475' W; then running 204° True to the point of beginning.

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Secretary of Natural Resources